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1. ALTHOUGH WE REALIZE UAE HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT CONTAINED REFTEL IS PRACTICALLY VERBATIM ACCOUNT OF WHAT WAS PREPARED LAST YEAR, THERE IS VERY LITTLE NEW THAT HAS OCCURRED IN PAST 12 MONTHS THAT AFFECTS HUMAN RIGHTS ONE WAY OR OTHER IN UAE. PRESS HAS TAKEN AN INTEREST IN ATTENTION GIVEN BY USG TO HUMAN RIGHTS AND HAS PUBLISHED STATEMENT ON HUMAN RIGHTS PREPARED FOR UAE FOR CONGRESS (ABU DHABI A-14). PROBLEM FOR UAE IS THAT WHILE COUNTRY MAKING MAJOR PROGRESS IN FULFILLING BASIC ECONOMIC EDUCATIONAL, AND HEALTH NEEDS OF ITS CITIZENS, POLITICAL PROCESS CONTINUES TO BE HAMPERED BY INTRA-EMIRATE DISPUTES OVER DEGREE AND FORM OF INTEGRATION. THIS IN TURN HAS DELAYED PROCESS OF DEVELOPING NEW REPRESENTATIVE POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS.

2. THEREFORE SUGGEST ONLY FOLLOWING MINOR CHANGES:
PARA 3. ADD WORD "AVAILABLE" BETWEEN "LEVEL OF" AND "WOMEN'S EDUCATION." THIS IS TO REFLECT FACT THAT MANY CONSERVATIVE FAMILIES WITHIN UAE ARE STILL HESITANT
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TO HAVE THEIR GIRLS GO TO SCHOOL BEYOND THE PRIMARY LEVEL PREFERRING INSTEAD THAT THEY MARRY AT YOUNG AGE. PARA 5. BEFORE SENTENCE STARTING WITH "NO VIOLATIONS..." INSERT FOLLOWING: " THE UAE PRESS HAS GIVEN INCREASING ATTENTION TO ISSUES RELATING TO HUMAN RIGHTS INCLUDING THE PUBLICATION OF REPORT TO CONGRESS PREPARED FOR THE UAE." DICKMAN.

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